

LATEST PARIS LINGERIE.

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FRENCH MAID OF FASHION-SKIRTS TO
SUIT EACH COSTUME.Paris, December 12.
There is an unusually nice display of lingerie
in several of the shops now, and some dainty sets are
arranged in a manner suggestive of holiday gifts
with the various pieces tied with baby ribbon or in-
closed in fancy cases.It seems almost impossible to discuss anything
new in this line, yet the one combination of linen,
embroidery and lace is apparently capable of many
changes. Embroidery is particularly to the fore in
these novelties, and consists of the most delicate
tracing of vine or flower patterns, edging the ruffles
of tucking or entre-deux or following the scallop of
a ruffle. To be more effective the embroidery has
dots or lines of color worked in it, blue, rose or
even black, when a bizarre effect is desired. The
use of lace figures is the prettiest thing in the new
underwear, and a tiny lace entre-deux arranged
in a scroll pattern and bordered by a line of hand
embroidery is a dainty trimming on the ruffle of
a chemise.Sometimes the lace, or rather a pattern in lace, is
apparently applied on the fine linen, and the
lines of a chemise may have clusters of lace flowers
surrounded by embroidered wreaths.The fashion of trimming the bottom of a chemise,
although not new, has never been so common as
now. Even ready-made garments shown in a few
exclusive shops have a ruffle about the hem and
even an extra breadth of cloth shirred or tucked
into the waist behind to allow of sufficient fullness
to make the chemise serve duty as corset cover
and short petticoat.

NOVEL STYLES IN THE CHEMISE.

Among novel cuts is a chemise that has a yoke
fastening with gold studs and the sides turn over
the top under the arms and the sides turn over
the top under the arms. The idea of
wearing a high undergarment with a street gown
is no longer a novelty; the carefully gowned woman
may have high chemises or corset covers or the
tiny mull scarfs that pass under the arms, cover
the neck and shoulders and cross over the bust in
such colorful folds that they are never felt.
Sleeves are generally worn in addition to chemise
or corset cover.For the daytime the Frenchwoman wears the
silk knitted vest and loose batiste pantalon for
the first two garments, for the winter is rarely
sufficiently long or severe here to overcome her
coquettish love for linen and lace, or to force her
into even the daintiest of dresses. The chemise
comes in a variety of styles, but the one that is
most common is a long one; not that she wishes
to push her bust up, for she rarely laces tightly
enough for that, but she prefers for a street costume
the support that the long corset gives to the
waist and hips.Her garters are fastened to the front of her corset
and pass under or over the pantalon, according to
the cut, and keep the corset well down on the
hips. Any one who has a corset in this manner
of fastening, her garters are not needed. The
corset is contained in a garter that is never felt
while sitting, but when on arising pulls the stays down
well about the hips. I think I have written of
this form of garter before, but it has become so
universally used that undergarments are made
accordingly, and the first-class dressmaker will now
object if the well-trimmed garter is not united in
front—not on the sides, but in the center.Almost any recent chemise includes a liberal
amount of Valenciennes, or often a scroll of fine em-
broidery.
MIDWINTER PETTICOATS.
For midwinter a short petticoat of soft flannel
may be worn under the more important gown.
This is of white or some delicate shade and em-
broidered or lace-trimmed. A simpler manner is to
line the long petticoat with a lightweight flannel,
and sometimes the flannel only forms an inter-
lining over a covering of thin silk that does not
show about the figure in walking, as the Parisienne
does. The long gown, even more important, for the
Frenchwoman on the street while walking would
prefer to lift a shabby skirt over a smart under-
skirt, to raising an elaborate gown over a shabby
petticoat.The long gown is quite as much a garment to
be displayed as the gown itself, and the modiste
who dresses simply to suit her taste, and the stock
corset that she may choose to suit the costume
she is wearing.
The daintiness of the gown, when she takes off her
"tailor-made" for an elaborate afternoon gown, or
if not then, it is a rare instance when she takes
the gown to the evening. With the ideal evening
gown the best evening corset is an extremely
low one, especially if the neckline is in a
"V" shape, and the corset is of the "tailor-made" manner
in vogue now. It is the prettiest possible cut for a
plump figure and for dainty but well-cut corsets
it is a desirable for the first, as it does not show
a necessity, while for the second no corset at all
is often preferable to a bad one. The average low
corset is a bulky affair, and the modiste who
belle with a full figure that demands a well-defined
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President Hunter of the Normal College has in-
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be accepted. This rule is owing to lack of school
room, and will be adhered to only till the high
schools are established, as the men will take
what now constitutes the introductory class of the
college.Forty-five New-Jersey school teachers met in the
Senate Chamber at Trenton last week to discuss
proposed amendments to the Teachers' Retirement
Fund law, passed last winter. Miss Elizabeth Al-
len, who has been one of the most earnest advo-
cates of such a fund, took an active part in the
deliberations.About fifty women, most of whom are Americans,
have been registered at the University of Berlin, and
are registered at Zurich. They are not accorded
the same rights that are given to the men, and are
thinking of beginning to agitate for them.The Students' Guild of the associate alumnae
of Packer College has arranged for classes in Ger-
man, French, current topics and music, and work
will be begun after the holidays, the meetings be-
ing held on alternate weeks. Preliminary meetings
were held last week.The alumnae and their friends were entertained
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HOUSEHOLD TALKS.

The provident American householder buys his
coal when it is the cheapest in large quantities, and
is brought to a realizing sense of the uncertainty of
early things by its rapid disappearance under the
hands of the maid-of-all-work.Now it is an indubitable fact that under proper
management a ton of coal will keep a range of the
largest family size, that with an eight and a half-
ton id, in full running force for two winter
months, but it is an easy matter to burn twice or
even three times this amount, and do no more
work with the range. The figures given allow for
a continuous fire night and day. If the fire is allowed
to go out every day it will be necessary to use con-
siderably more coal, besides the fuel furnished to
build the new one. No first-class range requires
any such expenditure of time and fuel, but it
should be kept going continuously.Clinkers may be readily removed from the new
duplex grates with which modern ranges are fur-
nished, and any sound clinkers that fall out can be
collected on the grate over the ashpan and re-
turned to the fire. This grate catches all the
clinkers, and has practically done away with the
necessity of sifting the ashes.The economy of all the more recent ranges is
complete, and there are a dozen varieties, all cost-
ing less than \$30, that will do everything that has
been mentioned.Such ranges require nothing but intelligent man-
agement, which, unhappily, they seldom get.
The ashes must be emptied systematically every
morning. The smoke draft must be closed all the
time, except when the fresh coal is first kindled in
the morning, or whenever coal is put on. It is a
economy to attempt to run a stove with a smaller
quantity of coal than will fill the firebox.To start up the fire, rake the stove down, clear
out the clinkers and ashes, lay three or four
sticks of wood on the hot ashes, and fill up as full
as possible without allowing the coals to reach the
covers. When the coals are fairly ablaze and the
gas has burned off a little, but before the top of the
fire is free from black coals, close the smoke
draught. This throws the heat into the oven.
Soon after this, as soon as the fire is bright, close
the draught beneath it, unless you wish an extra
hot oven. In that case, leave the draught open a
little. If only a moderate fire is required, close
up part of the pipe by turning the pipe draught.
When the cooking of a meal is over, sprinkle clin-
kers over the fire and open the draught that lets
cold air out top.If you wish to use the fire again, close the cold
draught and the pipe draught, and open the
draughts under it. Do not touch the smoke
draught except when coal is put on. Do not rake
down the fire, or disturb it, except once in about
two or three hours, when it should be done thor-
oughly, and fresh coal put on.At night see that the grate is free from clinkers
and ashes, and bank it with coal. Shut off all
draughts, close the pipe draught partially, and
open the little door that lets cold air over the fire.
Leave a window down to let out any gas that may
escape, and shut the kitchen door.There is not the slightest need of any device ex-
cept a few sticks or half a bundle of dry kindling
wood to start the fire in the morning. If it is
allowed to go out, a great deal more wood and
coal will be required to kindle it.A little wood helps the coal to kindle, and a
stronger, more rapid blaze is obtained by its use.
Coal is wasted in various ways, chiefly by keep-
ing the smoke draught open continually, and by
allowing the coal to be piled against the covers.
A full but not a heaping firebox should be the rule.
It is easy to burn a ton of coal a month, and not
have the range in working order any of the time.
This is twice the quantity of coal any family
range should burn.The ignorance of many housekeepers and cooks
concerning the use of the draughts of the range is
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